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Sri O. KORAN :—" Sir, Harijan students studying in schools are not in a position to pay the special fees at present. May I know whether the Harijan Welfare Committee have recommended to Government to exempt Harijan students from payment of special fees and if so, what action has been taken? "

The Hon. Sri B. PARAMESWARAN :—" That question is being examined, as it involves a large amount. Further, the matter is being considered sympathetically."

Production of yarn

* 757 *Q.*—Sri M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state the quantity of yarn produced in the State by (1) mills and (2) handspinning per month in the year 1953–54? 12 noon.

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" A statement [a] containing the information asked for is placed on the table of the House."

Joint statement of the Prime Ministers of India and China

* 758 *Q.*—Sri M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that the Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards wrote to the Municipal Council, Dindigul, disapproving their resolution welcoming the Joint Statement issued by the Prime Ministers of India and China; and

(*b*) if so, the reasons therefor?

The Hon. Sri S. S. RAMASAMY PADYACHI :—" (*a*) No.
" (*b*) Does not arise."

Sri M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, திண்டுக்கல் முனிசிபாலிடியார் நம்முடைய இந்தியப் பிரதமரும், சீனப் பிரதமரும் சேர்ந்து விடுத்த அறிக்கையில் அடங்கியுள்ள பஞ்சசீலக் கொள்கையை ஆதரித்து தீர்மானம் நிறைவேற்றியிருக்கிறார்கள். அந்தத் தீர்மானத்தை நிறைவேற்றியது ஒழுங்கல்ல என்று முனிசிபல் கவுன்ஸில் இன்ஸ்பெக்டர் அவர்களுக்கு கடிதம் எழுதியிருக்கிறார். அந்த கடிதமும் வந்திருக்கிறது. அப்படியிருக்கும்பொழுது கனம் மந்திரி அவர்கள் ஏன் " இல்லை " என்று பதில் சொல்லுகிறார்கள் என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன். இப்பொழுதாவது நான் சொல்வதை வைத்துக்கொண்டு இதைப் பற்றி விசாரணை செய்ய அமைச்சர் அவர்கள் முன் வருவார்களா என்று அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்."

The Hon. Sri S. S. RAMASAMY PADAYACHI :—" In July 1954 the Commissioner, Dindigul Municipality, forwarded a copy of the resolution passed by the Municipal Council welcoming the meeting and discussion between the Prime Ministers of India and China at New Delhi and requested the Government to communicate the resolution to the two Prime Ministers. No useful purpose would be served

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by communicating the resolution. Further the resolution was unconnected with the administration and should not have, therefore, been admitted with reference to the instructions issued by Government. This was pointed out to the Commissioner and he was informed that no action would be taken on the resolution. The Inspector of Municipal Councils and Local Boards had nothing to do with this."

Assignment of waste lands

* 759 *Q.*—Sri K. R. VISWANATHAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state with reference to the answer to question No. 408, dated 8th April 1953—

(*a*) whether the Government have since received any applications for assignment of assessed waste lands from the several cultivating ryots of Arungal village; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

Kozhikode Radio Station

* 760 *Q.*—Sri T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any representation from M.L.As. and Public Organizations from Malabar with regard to the proposed abolition of the Kozhikode Radio station; and

(*b*) if so, whether the State Government have made any representations to the Central Government in the matter?

The Hon. Sri R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Yes, from certain local bodies and one public library.

" (*b*) Copies of the representations were forwarded to the Government of India and enquiries were made of them whether there was any proposal to shift or close down the All-India Radio Station at Kozhikode. The need for their consulting the State Government before arriving at a final decision was also impressed upon them. The Government of India have since replied that they propose to put up under the Five Year Development Plan of All-India Radio, a powerful transmitter at a suitable location, so as to cover all parts of the Malayalam-speaking area, which are not covered by the Trivandrum Station of the All-India Radio, that such a transmitter cannot be located at Kozhikode, as it is far away in the north and that it will therefore, have to be located at a more centrally situated point in Kerala.